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BELGRADE BRICK FACTORIES TO MAKE
95 MILLION BRICKS IN 1950

PLANTS TO BE MECHANIZED -- Glas, No 1450, 21 Feb 50, and Ljudska Pravica, No 42, 19 Feb 50

The Administration for Building Materials in Belgrade controls the following enterprises: the "Makedonija," "Trudbenik," and "Dunav" Brick Factories, the "Dinara" Gypsum Factory, the "Strazivica" Rock Quarrying Enterprise, the enterprise for the exploitation and processing of granite in Brajkovac, the "Pomoravlje" Enterprise for the exploitation of sand, gravel, and limestone, and the "Todor Dukin" Carpentry Enterprise. In 1949, all these enterprises supplied Belgrade with over 50 million bricks, over 24,000 cubic meters of various stones, over 2,600,000 small stone blocks, about 2,000 tons of limestone, about 30,000 cubic meters of gravel, about 2,000 tons of gypsum, over 50,000 tons of fireproof materials, about 10,000 windows, about 8,000 doors, and 73 wooden barracks.

According to the Administration, the 1949 production plans for individual enterprises are from 265 percent to 600 percent greater than in 1948. The 1949 production of the "Trudbenik" Enterprise was 140 percent greater than the 1948, and in the "Makedonija" Enterprise it was 410 percent greater.

The "Makedonija" Brick Factory in Belgrade has eight branch brick plants and one ceramics plant. The plants cover an area of 36 hectares. All the departments are being mechanized. Two of the branch plants will have a capacity of 60,000 bricks per day. During the construction season the factory will produce 200,000 bricks per day.

In 1949, only 63.2 percent of the manpower needed was working in the construction material enterprises. The average number of workers needed in one enterprise was 1,059, but only 670 were working. At the "Trudbenik," Makedonija," "Dunav," and "Strazevica" Enterprises, 883 workers resigned, 190 were fired; and 219 left their jobs. The average production norm was 119 percent. According to statistical data, only 125 workers failed to meet the norm, 76 fulfilled it from 100 to 119 percent, 85 from 120 to 149 percent, 68 from 150 to 200 percent, and 29 workers over 200 percent.

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In 1950, all the Belgrade brick factories will be mechanized and are expected to produce 95 million bricks. The "Kosmaj" and all the regional brick factories also came under the jurisdiction of the Administration for Construction Materials. At the end of February 1950 a new gravel factory in Veliki Oras will begin operation. A new limestone factory is being erected in Brezani near Ostruznica, and in Cemaja near Lazarevac a mechanized limestone factory is being built which should be completed this year.

TO PRODUCE 3,800 KILOMETERS OF INSULATING CONDUITS IN 1950 -- Slovenski Porocovalec, No 45, 21 Feb 50

The "Saturnus" Factory for Asphalt Products in Moste near Ljubljana will produce 3,800 kilometers of plain and impregnated Bergmann insulating conduits in 1950 for electrical installations.

The factory will continue producing roofing and insulating paper. The enterprise has two additional branch plants, one in Jesenice and the other in Pragersko. The Jesenice plant, which produces glass wool from slag, expects to increase its production by 100 percent, after its new department begins operation in March 1950.

The Pragersko plant produces insulating bricks. The first lot was used for the blast furnace in Sisak and in the "Jugovinil" Plastics Factory. The Strnisce aluminum factory will need at least 300,000 insulating bricks per year.

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